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Applicant submits that the References D1-D10 on the attached European Office Action (e.g. Reference BE) were previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on April 8, 2005. However, Applicant submits that Reference AG enclosed herewith is being cited for the first time.

**ATTACHMENT 1(g)**

LIST OF ADDITIONAL SUBMITTED DOCUMENTS	ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.	APPLICATION NO.
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